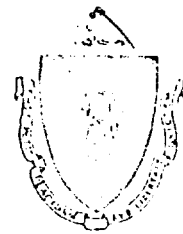


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RE: Application No.

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AEROVOX CORPORATION  
ATTN MR PHILLIP MORGAN  
742 BELLEVILLE AVENUE  
NEW BEDFORD MA 02741

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is your final National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit for the above referenced application, issued pursuant to Section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, (the "Federal Act"), and Sections 43 - 45 of the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, as amended, (the "State Act"). Also enclosed is a copy of guidelines specifying test methods published pursuant to Section 304(g) of the Federal Act. As noted in the permit, the permittee is required to utilize these test methods in monitoring its effluent.

The Regional Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Director of the Division of Water Pollution Control have determined that the permit as issued is substantially unchanged from the tentative determinations and draft permit prepared pursuant to federal and state laws and regulations. Within ten (10) days of the date of receipt of this determination you, or any interested parties, may request an adjudicatory hearing of the Regional Administrator in accordance with the provisions of 40 C.F.R. §125.36(b) and (c). A similar request should also be filed with the Director within thirty (30) days of the date of receipt of this determination in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Administrative Procedure Act and the Division's Rules for the Conduct of Adjudicatory Proceedings.

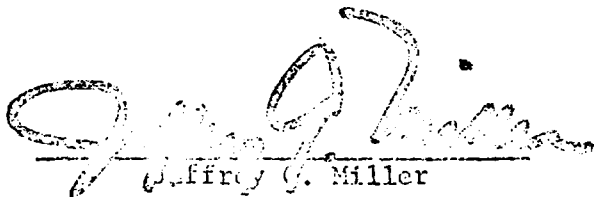
Finally, please note that this permit does not relieve the permittee from the responsibility of compliance with Section 311 of the Federal Act and Section 27(14) of the State Act. These sections prohibit the discharge of harmful quantities of oil into the waters of the United States and require the person in charge of a facility from which an oil spill into such waters emanates to

to notify immediately the appropriate federal and state agency. For oil spills into coastal waters, the appropriate federal agency is the nearest Coast Guard station. For oil spills into inland waters, the Environmental Protection Agency (617-223-7265) is the appropriate federal agency. In the event of oil spills into either inland or coastal waters the Division of Water Pollution Control (617-727-3855) should be notified. Oil spills are punishable under the various provisions of both the Federal Act and the State Act, and include both civil and criminal penalties.

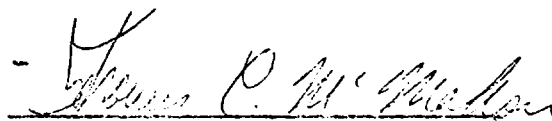
The final format of the self-monitoring report, EPA Form 3320-1 (10-72), required by the NPDES permit has not been received by the Regional Administrator. Upon receipt of this form, you will be automatically placed on distribution.

Until the standard reporting form is available, the Regional Administrator and the Director will accept a letter report containing the information required by the NPDES permit. It would be most helpful if the data were presented in a tabular form showing both the permit criteria and the reported values for direct comparison by our staffs.

If you have any questions about the procedures described above, please contact Mr. Han Bonne of the Division at telephone number (617) 727-3855 or Mr. John Lynch of EPA at (617) 223-5061.



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